

NOTE: Beginning in 2008, the elk and bear application period will be May 1-June 1.

## Public Land Drawing Results

Drawing results for all applicants will be posted  
Sept. 10 at [www.michigan.gov/dnrdrawings](http://www.michigan.gov/dnrdrawings)

Applicants who did not apply online and who are selected for a license will receive a notification postcard by Sept. 19. **Unsuccessful applicants will not be notified.** If successful in the drawing, you may go to any authorized license agent to purchase your license, or you may purchase it online.

## Assistance

If you encounter problems with your antlerless deer application, you can obtain assistance by calling (517) 373-1263. All inquiries regarding your application must be made prior to Aug. 15. Following the drawing, you can call this number if you also need assistance with purchasing your license.

## Leftover Licenses

After the drawing, any remaining public land licenses for selected DMUs and the special regulation units will be issued on a first-come, first-served basis. Hunters may purchase one antlerless deer license per day. Licenses will be available until the quota for the DMU is reached. These licenses will become available beginning Sept. 26 at 10 a.m. You may not purchase both a public land and private land antlerless license on the same day. You must purchase a leftover public land antlerless license in person. Leftover licenses may not be purchased online.

## Apprentice Hunting License

A person who does not have a hunter safety certificate may purchase an apprentice hunting license. An apprentice hunter may purchase this license for two license years before he or she must successfully complete a hunter safety course. The apprentice hunting license is available to residents and nonresidents.

Apprentice hunters under age 17, when afield, must be accompanied by a parent, guardian or someone 21 or older designated by their parent or guardian. This individual must possess a valid, regular hunting license to hunt the same game as the apprentice hunter. "Accompanied by" requires the adult to be able to come to the immediate aid of the other person and staying within a distance from the other person that permits uninterrupted, unaided visual and verbal contact. Apprentice hunters 17 and older, when afield, must be accompanied by someone 21 or older, who possesses a valid, regular hunting license to hunt the same game as the apprentice hunter. **A person may accompany no more than two apprentice hunters while hunting.**

## Online Hunter Harvest Surveys

Accurate and complete information on hunting activity is vital for sound wildlife management. Deer hunters and turkey hunters are encouraged to report their hunting activity after their season has ended online at [www.michigan.gov/dnr](http://www.michigan.gov/dnr). These surveys are the same as those traditionally mailed to randomly selected hunters. The online reporting option now allows all hunters to participate.

## Turn in Your Deer Heads

We are asking that you turn in your deer's head at any DNR office for free tuberculosis testing if you take a deer in any season in the following counties: Alcona, Alpena, Antrim, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Crawford, Emmet, Iosco, Montmorency, Ogemaw, Oscoda, Otsego, Presque Isle and Roscommon.

## Hunters, Learn to Identify "Button Bucks"

Each year many hunters harvest buck fawns, commonly called "button bucks" on antlerless deer licenses. Though perfectly legal, harvesting these deer may reduce the number of bucks the following year. By learning the difference between adult does and buck fawns and observing these suggestions, hunters can make a conscious choice on whether to harvest a buck fawn.

- Button bucks often travel alone, but adult does rarely do. Consider this when you observe a single antlerless deer.
- Wait until several deer are together; then harvest one of the larger antlerless deer.
- Look at body shapes of deer. Adult does are different in shape from juvenile deer. The mature doe is rectangular in shape with a long neck and face. Fawns are square shaped and have a short neck and face.
- If two juvenile deer are without an adult, one will probably be a button buck. Normally the young male is larger than the female and may be mistaken for an adult doe because of its larger size. Look at the head of the deer. A doe's head is normally more rounded on top between the ears and a buck's head is flattened by the base of the antlers.
- Look closely with binoculars for the antler bases on button bucks.
- Wait until the deer are standing or moving slowly. It is easier to identify sex and age when deer are not running or moving fast.
- Shoot with good visibility. Poor light or heavy cover make it difficult to determine sex and age.

## License Options for the Special Regulation Units

To apply or purchase an antlerless deer license for the special regulation units (DMUs 001, 004, 020, 060, 068, 071 and 452), use the application item no. or license item no. from the list below.

Item No.	Item No.	Name	On Sale	Cost
Regular	Apprentice			
450		Antlerless Deer Application (Public Land Only)	7/15-8/15	\$4.00
453	667	Deer Antlerless Junior License (Public or Private Land)	7/15-8/15	\$10.00
454	668	Deer Antlerless Private Land OTC Resident License*	8/16	\$10.00
455	669	Deer Antlerless Private Land OTC Nonresident License*	8/16	\$100.00
451	665	Deer Antlerless Public Land Resident License	9/9	\$10.00
452	666	Deer Antlerless Public Land Nonresident License	9/9	\$100.00
253	651	Deer Antlerless Public Leftover Resident License**	9/26	\$10.00
254	652	Deer Antlerless Public Leftover Nonresident License**	9/26	\$100.00

OTC = Over the counter

\* Beginning Aug. 16 at 10 a.m., all private land antlerless deer hunting licenses will be sold over the counter. It is unlawful to purchase more than one antlerless license (of any kind or type, public or private land) in a single day. The season limit is three private land licenses per person.

\*\* Leftover licenses may be available in these DMUs.

## Possible Changes for Private Land Licenses in 2008

The Natural Resources Commission is reviewing proposed changes that may authorize some private land antlerless deer licenses to be available by lottery. If approved, these changes would take effect in 2008 and may involve DMUs having a low quota of private land licenses. The same application period would be used for both private land and public land licenses. Check the 2008 Michigan Antlerless Deer Hunting Guide for details on whether the DMU you hunt may require you to apply for a private land antlerless deer license.

## Tagging Option for Antlerless Deer Hunters

An antlerless deer hunter, with an unused license valid for an antlered deer and an unused antlerless license for the DMU in which they are hunting, **may** tag a male antlerless deer with an antlered deer license kill tag. A male antlerless deer, often called a "button buck," means a deer with antlers where the longest antler extends less than three inches above the skull.

## Antlerless Deer License Quotas

Antlerless deer license quotas were not available at the time this guide was printed. An antlerless license quota is established for each DMU based on the management objectives for that DMU.

## Special Antlerless Deer Seasons

### Youth Firearm Deer Season

There will be a youth firearm deer season Sept. 22-23, 2007, on all lands in Michigan. Youths 10-16 years of age may take one antlered deer during this special two-day season or one antlerless deer if the youth obtained an antlerless license or possesses a Deer Management Assistance (DMA) permit. Youths 10 and 11 are restricted to archery-only hunting. Youths 12 and 13 are restricted to firearm hunting only on private land, including lands enrolled in the Commercial Forest program.

A firearm, combination or antlerless license or DMA permit authorizing the youth to take a deer with a firearm, may be used if issued for the area/land upon which hunting. **Archery and junior archery licenses are not valid during this season.** The kind of deer which may be taken is the same as during the regular November firearm deer season. All youth hunters are required to wear Hunter Orange. The youth must be accompanied by an adult at least 18 years of age or older. An adult accompanying a youth firearm deer hunter cannot possess or carry a firearm or bow and arrow and does not need a deer hunting license. It is unlawful to use bait during this season.

### Late Antlerless Firearm Deer Season

There will be a late firearm antlerless deer hunting season on private land in selected southern Michigan counties and the special regulation units. This season begins Dec. 17, 2007, and runs through Jan. 1, 2008. During this season, only antlerless deer on private land may be taken. Permission is required from the landowner or leaseholder. You may hunt with a bow and arrow or firearm. All firearm hunters must wear Hunter Orange and must be 12 or older. You must have an unused antlerless deer license (or DMA permit) issued for the appropriate DMU to hunt deer during this season.

## An Important Message Regarding Bait

Hunters are prohibited from using bait for deer hunting in Alcona, Alpena, Crawford, Montmorency, Oscoda, Otsego and Presque Isle counties. Bait also is prohibited during the youth firearm deer season. The use of bait is permitted in the remainder of the state, but the volume of bait is limited to two gallons at any one time per hunting location. This restriction applies statewide. Baiting may occur only from Oct. 1, 2007 through Jan. 1, 2008. Check the 2007 Michigan Hunting and Trapping Guide or go to [www.michigan.gov/dnr](http://www.michigan.gov/dnr) for a complete list of baiting regulations.

## Mandatory Penalties for Certain Hunting Violations

Violation of permits, season, bag limits, shooting hours and methods of taking game	\$50 to \$500 fine and/or up to 90 days in jail.
Illegal taking/possession of deer, bear or wild turkey	\$200 to \$1,000 fine and 5 to 90 days in jail, restitution of \$1500 for bear, \$1000 for deer/turkey, plus revocation of hunting licenses for remainder of year convicted, plus next 3 consecutive years.
Illegal use of artificial light with bow and arrow or firearm	\$100 to \$500 fine and/or 90 days in jail, plus revocation of hunting licenses for remainder of year convicted, plus next consecutive year.
Carrying a firearm while under the influence of alcohol or drugs	\$500 fine and/or up to 93 days in jail.
Multiple offender: Two convictions within preceding five years	\$500 to \$2,000 fine and 10 to 180 days in jail.

## Regular Antlerless Deer License Options

Item No.	Item No.	Name	On Sale	Cost
Regular	Apprentice			
150		Antlerless Deer Application (Public Land Only)	7/15-8/15	\$4.00
153	644	Deer Antlerless Junior License (Public or Private Land)	7/15-8/15	\$10.00
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155	646	Deer Antlerless Private Land OTC Nonresident License*	8/16	\$100.00
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\*\* Leftover licenses may be available only for special regulation units and selected west Upper Peninsula DMUs.

**NOTICE:** This brochure is not a legal notice, nor a complete collection of hunting regulations and laws. It is a condensed guide issued for hunters' convenience. Copies of wildlife conservation orders can be obtained from our Web site, [www.michigan.gov/dnr](http://www.michigan.gov/dnr)

## Antlerless Deer Hunting License

This license entitles residents and nonresidents 10 and older to take an antlerless deer or a deer with antlers less than three inches in length within the deer management unit specified on the license. Youngsters 10 and 11 are restricted to archery-only hunting. Youngsters 12 and 13 may hunt with a firearm on private land only. Youngsters 12 and 13, who purchase a public land license, are restricted to firearm hunting on Commercial Forest Lands or to archery hunting on public land.

**You must purchase your antlerless license in person or online.** Antlerless deer licenses are valid during all deer seasons with hunting equipment appropriate for the season and hunting zone. The antlerless deer license is a stand-alone hunting license. No additional license is necessary to be legally afield. It is illegal to use an antlerless deer license to tag a deer with antlers three inches or more in length.

There are two types of antlerless deer hunting licenses: public land and private land.

- A **public land** antlerless deer hunting license is valid for taking antlerless deer from public lands (including state, federal and county lands) open to hunting within the deer management unit specified on the license or upon lands within the DMU that are enrolled as Commercial Forest Lands.

- A **private land** antlerless deer hunting license is valid only for taking antlerless deer only from any privately owned lands within the deer management unit specified on the license with permission of the landowner. To purchase a private land antlerless license, the phone number of the landowner is required. A private land license is not valid on public or Commercial Forest Lands.

**Note:** There is a season limit of three private land antlerless licenses per person, of which no more than two may be purchased for Zones 1 and 2 combined (except for the special regulation units in Zone 2). See map. Zone 1 and Zone 2 DMUs are shown in green. There is **no season limit** for private land antlerless licenses for the special regulation DMUs in Zone 2 shown in gray. Zone 3 includes all DMUs shown in brown. You may purchase a third private antlerless license in Zone 3.

There also is a 40-acre requirement for DMUs shown in green. The 40-acre requirement does not apply in Zone 3 or in the special regulation units (shown in gray on the map).

Under the 40-acre contiguous rule, contiguous means in a solid ownership with no other ownership between parcels. A road does not split ownership. Two separate owners of different parcels lying adjacent to each other cannot be combined to meet the minimum qualification for a private land antlerless license. Nor can a landowner with 20 acres in one location and 20 in another location qualify. The entire 40 acres must be within the same DMU. Once the antlerless license is purchased, and with proper landowner permission, there is no restriction on which parcel of private land is hunted within the DMU.

## Junior Antlerless Deer Hunting License

Young hunters, ages 10 to 16 on or before Sept. 22, 2007, may purchase one antlerless deer hunting license over the counter July 15 through Aug. 15. **No application fee or drawing is required.** This license is available only in deer management units with a quota for antlerless licenses. This license may be purchased for either public or private land. A youth must appear in person with a parent or guardian to purchase the Junior Antlerless Deer Hunting License. Youngsters 10 and 11 are restricted to archery-only hunting. Nonresidents, ages 10 to 16, are allowed to purchase resident licenses.

The Michigan Department of Natural Resources is committed to the conservation, protection, management, use and enjoyment of the State's natural resources for current and future generations.

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## Department of Natural Resources Directory

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[www.michigan.gov/dnr](http://www.michigan.gov/dnr)

Violations (RAP): 800-292-7800

The DNR Operations Service Centers listed below are open  
Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Baraga  
427 US-41 North  
Baraga, MI 49908  
906-353-6651  
  
Bay City  
503 N. Euclid Ave., Suite 1  
Bay City, MI 48706  
989-684-9141  
  
Cadillac  
8015 Mackinaw Trail  
Cadillac, MI 49601  
231-775-9727  
  
Gaylord  
1732 W. M-32  
Gaylord, MI 49735  
989-732-3541

Southfield  
26000 W. Eight Mile Road  
Southfield, MI 48034  
248-359-9040  
  
Marquette  
1990 US-41 South  
Marquette, MI 49855  
906-228-6561  
  
Newberry  
5100 M-123  
Newberry, MI 49868  
906-293-5131

Plainwell  
621 N. 10th St.  
Plainwell, MI 49080  
269-685-6851  
  
Roscommon  
1-75 & M-18 South  
8717 N. Roscommon Rd.  
Roscommon, MI 48653  
989-275-5151  
  
Rose Lake\*  
8562 E. Stoll Rd.  
East Lansing, MI 48823  
517-641-4903  
\*This is a field office

Thank you for purchasing a Michigan hunting license. Your hunting license dollars help restore and improve habitats for wildlife species, advance research on wildlife and wildlife-borne diseases, foster programs that help ensure access for public hunting, support hunter safety education and much more. We encourage you to keep hunting and to share your experiences with others. In doing so, you can do your part to keep our state's hunting heritage alive for future generations.



The Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration Act places an excise tax on firearms, handguns, ammunition and archery equipment. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service apportions these funds to state wildlife agencies to be used for wildlife management, research, habitat acquisition, game area and shooting range development and hunter education. Since its inception in 1937, Michigan's share of the Wildlife Restoration funds has reached almost \$150 million.

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## Application Information

### Locations

- You may apply:
  - At any authorized license agent
  - At DNR Operations Service Centers
  - Online at [www.michigan.gov/dnr](http://www.michigan.gov/dnr)

### Requirements

- It costs \$4 to apply.
- To apply, you will need one of the following forms of identification:
  - Valid Michigan Driver License
  - State of Michigan ID Card (issued by Secretary of State)
  - DNR Sportcard (issued through license agents or DNR Web site)
- It is critical that you keep your mailing address up to date with the Secretary of State.
- You may be 9 years old to apply, but you must be 10 or older to purchase a license.

### Applicant Responsibilities

- When you apply, you are responsible for:
  - Submitting a single application. Applicants who apply more than once or falsify information will be ineligible for the drawing.
  - Checking that your information was correctly entered by the agent. An incorrect customer ID or birth date will cause you to become ineligible for a license.
  - Ensuring that you receive a DNR receipt. The DNR receipt clearly states your customer ID. **Do not accept a DNR receipt that is not legible.**
  - Retaining your DNR receipt as proof that you applied.

**IMPORTANT: It is your responsibility to check your application receipt for accuracy.**

### Successful Applicants

- You must be at least 10 years old by the time a license is purchased.
- You may purchase your hunting license from any license agent or online at [www.michigan.gov/dnr](http://www.michigan.gov/dnr).
- Make sure the information on your license is accurate.
- All licenses must be signed to be valid. Your signature on the license certifies that you meet applicable residency and hunter safety requirements to purchase a Michigan hunting license.
- Licenses may not be altered or transferred.

## REPORT ALL POACHING

Call: 800-292-7800

# 2007 MICHIGAN ANTLERLESS DEER HUNTING GUIDE

Application Period July 15–August 15, 2007

Apply online at [www.michigan.gov/dnr](http://www.michigan.gov/dnr)

## Great Lakes, Great Times, Great Outdoors



### Important Reminder for 2007:

There is a season limit of 3 private land antlerless licenses per person, of which no more than 2 may be purchased for Zones 1 and 2 combined (except for the special regulation units in Zone 2).

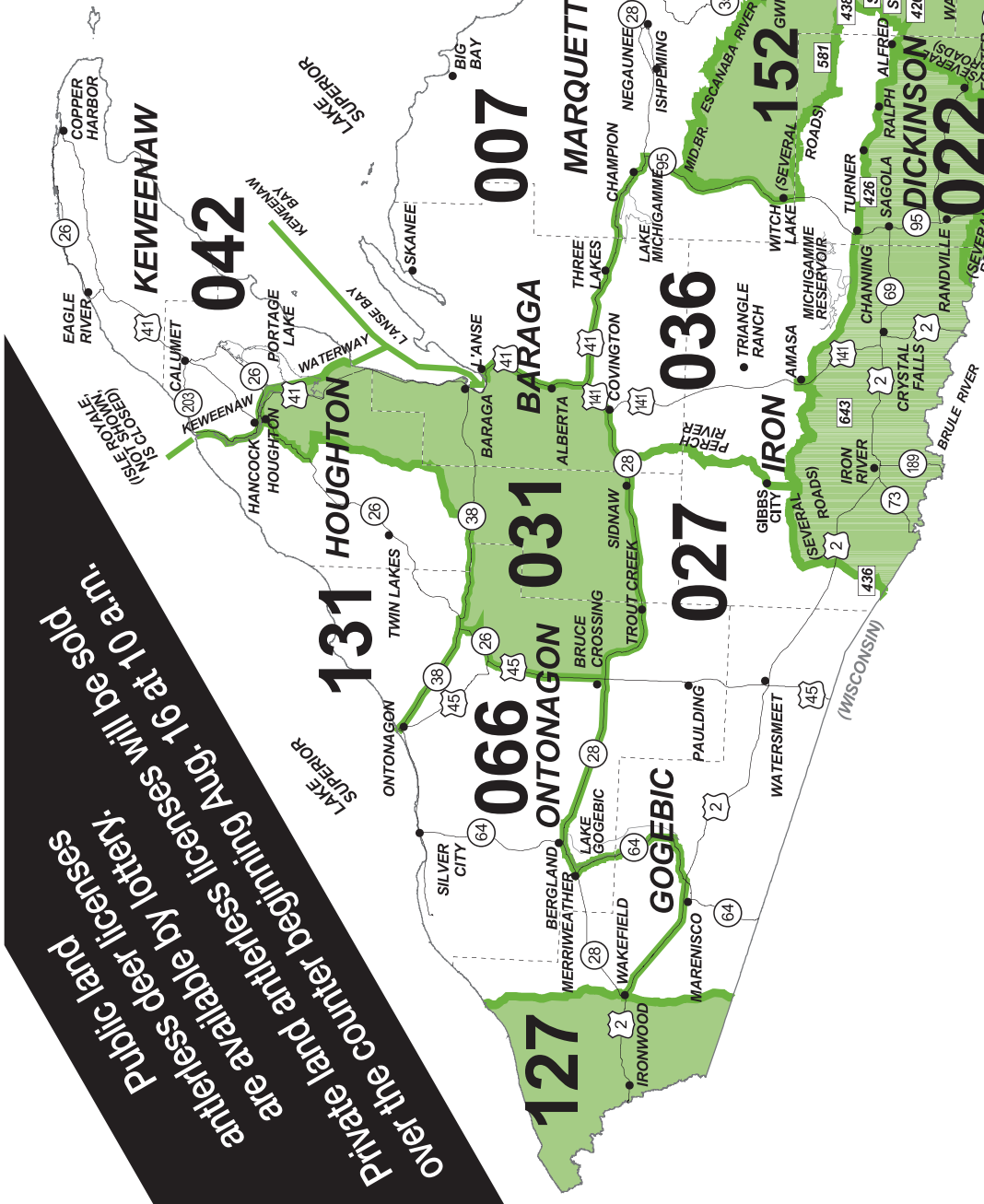
### Other Reminders:

- To purchase a private land antlerless license, the telephone number of the private landowner is required.
- To purchase a private land antlerless license in Zones 1 or 2 (except for the special regulation units in Zone 2), the landowner granting permission to hunt deer must have 40 or more contiguous acres on which to hunt.
- Unique application procedure for the bovine TB special regulation units.
- Beginning in 2008, hunters may be required to apply for a private land license in certain DMUs.





Public land antlerless deer licenses will be sold over the counter beginning Aug. 16 at 10 a.m. antlerless deer licenses are available by lottery.



# Antlerless Deer Hunting Units for 2007

Antlerless Deer Licenses May Be Available in Shaded Deer Management Units (DMUs) depending on quota. If the area is not shaded, then no public or private land antlerless deer hunting licenses are available in that DMU.

Legend

Open; Special Regulation Units \* - No Acreage Requirement.  
= DMU 001, 004, 020, 060, 068, 069, 071, & 452.

Open; Private Land 40 Acre Requirement  
Limit 2 private land antlerless licenses from these DMUs.

Open; No Acreage Requirement

DMU Boundaries

County Line

DMU Number

Major Roads

Lake

Important! Read the text explanation about the statewide limit of 3 private land antlerless licenses per hunter.

DMU 045, 117, 122, 135, & 245.

How to Apply

1 Look at the map and choose the DMU where you wish to hunt.

2 Find the DMU in the hunt table to see if public land antlerless licenses are available.

3 Complete Public Land License Application Worksheet.

4 Apply at a license agent or online\* at [www.michigan.gov/dnr](http://www.michigan.gov/dnr).

5 It is unlawful to apply more than once.

6 Check your receipt. Retain receipt as proof of application.

\*NOTE: Following the drawing, successful applicants who purchase their license online will receive their license by mail within seven days. If you do not receive your license, contact customer service at (517) 373-1204.

Public Land License Application Worksheet

The license agent will ask for the following information when applying:

1. Your birth date?  
Michigan Driver License, state of Michigan ID Card, or DNR Sportcard

2. Customer ID number?  
150 Regular Antlerless Deer Application  
450 Special Regulation Units Application

3. Application item type?  
1

4. Hunt Unit Number (DMU)  
(See map or table for DMU number)

Note: If you are using this worksheet to purchase a private land license over the counter, you or the license agent must put a 2 in front of the DMU, and you will need the phone number of the private landowner granting permission to hunt.

Hunt Table

Public land licenses are available by application for selected DMUs, as indicated. A public land license is required to hunt on Commercial Forest Land.

DMU	Public Land	DMU	Public Land	DMU	Public Land
001	x	037	x	149	x
004	x	045		152	x
020	x	049		155	x
060	x	051		245	x
068	x	053		252	x
069	x	054		255	x
071	x	055	x	003	x
452	x	056	x	008	x
		057	x	011	x
005		061	x	012	x
006		062		013	x
009		064		014	x
015	x	065	x	019	x
016	x	067		023	x
017		072		025	x
018		115	x	029	x
021		117	x	030	x
022	x	121		032	x
024	x	122	x	033	x
026		127		034	x
031		135	x	038	x
035	x	145		039	x

X = Public land licenses are available for these DMUs (must apply for drawing).  
◆ = Special deer hunts. Licenses for these DMUs are available on a local basis. See "Special Deer Hunts" in the 2007 Michigan Hunting and Trapping Guide, or contact the local DNR office for application information. Private land antlerless licenses are available over the counter for DMU 173 and DMU 174.

Quality Deer Management Units

**NOTE:** Only public land antlerless licenses are valid on Commercial Forest Lands. If you plan to hunt during the firearm or muzzle-loader season for an antlerless deer on Commercial Forest Land, you must have a public land antlerless license for that DMU.

**Private Land Antlerless Deer Licenses**

Private land licenses will be sold over the counter and online beginning August 16 at 10 a.m. for all listed DMUs. Hunters may purchase one private land antlerless deer license each day, up to the season limit of three. You may not purchase both a public land and private land antlerless deer license on the same day.

If you purchase a private land license online the system will show you a different item no. for the type of license you are seeking to purchase. This license is equivalent to the license type shown in this guide.

To purchase a private land antlerless deer license for any DMU, the telephone number of the private landowner is required.

To purchase a private land antlerless deer license in Zones 1 or 2 (except for the special regulation units in Zone 2 shown in gray on the map), the private landowner granting permission to hunt deer must have 40 or more contiguous acres on which to hunt. The minimum acreage requirement does not apply to DMUs in Zone 3 (shown in brown on the map).

**Quality Deer Management (QDM) Units**

For more information about the units shown in cross-hatched pattern (DMU 045, 117, 122, 135, and 245), see the Michigan Hunting and Trapping Guide or visit the DNR Web site.

**\* Special Regulation Units**

These units, in dark gray shading (DMU 001, 004, 020, 060, 068, 069, 071, and 452), are where deer have tested positive for bovine TB.

Regulations for these units are designed to help eliminate this disease. Leftover public land antlerless licenses may be available over the counter beginning Sept. 26.

It is unlawful to purchase more than one antlerless license (of any kind or type, public or private land) in a single day.

Note: there are unique application procedures for these DMUs. Be sure to use the correct license item number shown in the gray box on the reverse side when applying for or purchasing a license for one of these DMUs.

**THESE AREAS ARE CLOSED TO THE BAITING AND FEEDING OF DEER.**

**NOTE:**

For detailed descriptions of deer management unit boundaries contact a DNR Operations Service Center, or go online to [www.michigan.gov/dnr](http://www.michigan.gov/dnr)